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- During February 1947, Meier & Weichelt, Leipzig, produced fifty-four tons of "Temperguss" for caterpillar tracks intended to be used exclusively on T-34 tanks. A new order, amounting to 4.5 million marks, was placed by the Russians and production of fifty to fifty-five tons was anticipated in March.
- Employee strength at Meier & Weichelt remained at 3,300 during February.
- Throughout the winter of 1946-1947, the Meier & Weichelt plant suffered no shortages of coal or electricity.

25X1 unable to secure any information confirming the reported production of sixty-five centimeter wide caterpillar tracks at this plant.

> Comment: An October-November 1946 report on this firm, by stated that 3,200 "Plans for persons were employed. The same source stated, "Plans for 1947 include the production each month of 15,000 caterpillar tracks of a new type track with a width of sixty-five centimeters."

\* Malleable cast iron.

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